

## **FISCAL NOTE**

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate  
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director


DATE: February 19, 1995

SUBJECT: **HB 517 - SB 667**

This bill, if enacted, will eliminate the maximum compensation limits that an attorney can be paid for representing an indigent in criminal, mental health and juvenile cases. Removing the limitations specified in these code sections, will allow the Supreme Court Rule 13 to determine the limitation and restrictions placed on the compensation of attorneys appointed to represent indigent defendants.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to be an increase of \$2,500,000 in state expenditures which represents a 50% increase in the amount estimated for indigent defense for the current fiscal year. This estimate is based on the Supreme Court Rule 13 which will double the maximum compensation currently set by statute.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

  
James A. Davenport, Executive Director